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Intra-Village Infrastructure Development
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government/National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) proposes to increase the percentage of funding of the ground level disbursement, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
(b) whether the NABARD is working on a pilot project for intra-village infrastructure development which may fill all missing links for a fully integrated rural infrastructure development; and
(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance

(a): In the Union Budget 2017-18, the agriculture credit target for the year 2017-18 has been fixed at Rs. 10 lakh crore against the target of Rs. 9 lakh crore fixed during the year 2016-17.

(b) & (c): National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has reported that they are not working on a pilot project for intra-village infrastructure development. However, the infrastructure projects duly prioritized by the State Government and posed to NABARD by the Finance Department of the State Government are being financed by NABARD under Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) as per the norms for lending.